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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Association of a Signed Certificate
With a Certificate Signing Request

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This amendment is submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in response to
a non-final office action.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The following amendments and remarks are proposed in response to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2004.

Claims 1-63 are currently pending in the application, and claims 1-11, 14-46, and 49-63 stand rejected. Claims 12, 13, 47, and 48 stand objected to. Applicants propose herein to amend claims 1, 8, 19, 29-37, 40-43, 47, 49-54, 57, 58, and 61-63.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments set forth herein and the accompanying remarks.